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Honorable John F. Keenan United States District Judge Southern District of New York U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 1930 New York, New York 10007-1312

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The conference is adjourned to January 8, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.

SO ORDERED. Dated:

New York, New York November 30, 2007.

Illinois National Insurance Co. v. United States Fidelity and Guaranty . J. 07 Civ 8248 (JFK)

Your Honor:

We represent plaintiff Illinois National Insurance Company in the above-captioned matter, but write with the consent of defendant United States Fidelity and Guaranty ("USF&G"). The parties jointly request that the Court reschedule the Pretrial Conference, currently set for December 3, 2007 at 9:45 a.m., to another time and date convenient to the Court. This is the first request for an extension as to the Pretrial Conference.

The parties are in the midst of discussing a potential settlement of the matter. In addition, the time for USF&G to answer or otherwise appear in this action was recently extended to December 12, 2007 by stipulation and subsequent order, in recognition of the parties' current discussions. Accordingly, the parties believe that a Pretrial Conference is premature at this time, and should be rescheduled for sometime in early January. We thank the Court in advance for its consideration of this request

Respectfully submitted,

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